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REPORT

OF

THE SELECTMEN

OF THE

TOWN OF CANTERBURY,

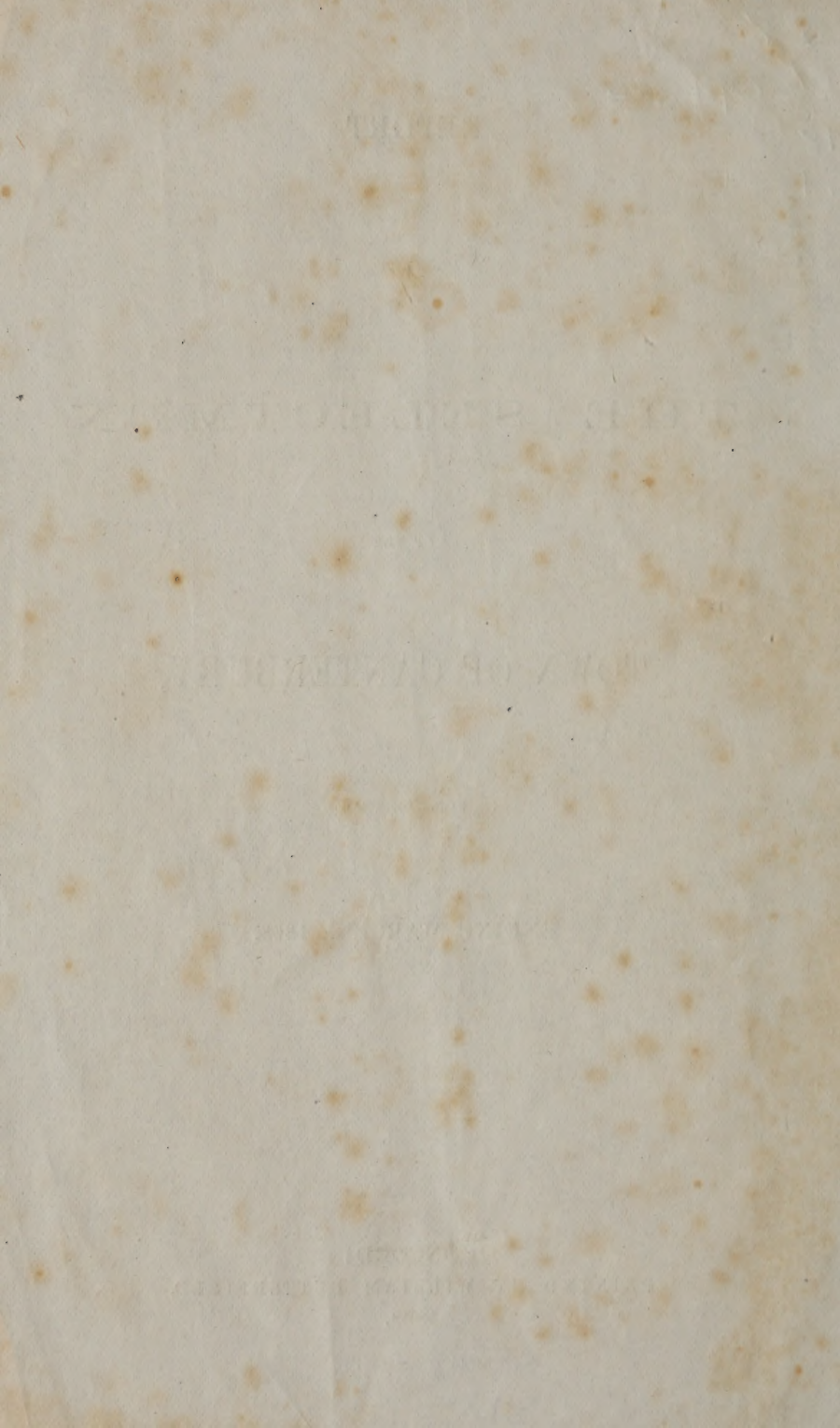
FOR THE YEAR

ENDING MARCH 2, 1868.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Due from Collector Brown, March 1, 1867,	\$1,732 79
Doubtful taxes deducted,	66 02
	<hr/> \$1,666 77

Amount committed to Cyrus G. Brown, Collector for the year 1867,	<hr/> \$10,823 34
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Total,	<hr/> \$12,490 11
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Which is accounted for as follows:

Paid State Treasurer,	\$2,408 80
County Treasurer,	1,145 15
Town Treasurer,	6,278 83
	<hr/> \$9,832 78

Amount due from the collector,	<hr/> \$2,657 33
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Whole amount of money and receipts returned by the Treasurer,	\$18,933 97
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Whole amount paid out,	16,747 40
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Remaining in the Treasury,	\$2,186 57
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RECEIPTS.

Received of T. L. Whidden, Treasurer, March 14, 1867,	\$3,427 10
Daniel B. Sanborn, note of town,	50 00
Sally B. Sanborn, “	115 27
Frank A. Sanborn, “	74 00
H. L. Clough, “	65 00
E. M. P. Wiggin, “	135 00
Polly Swasey, “	200 00
Charles Jones, “	100 00
N. H. Dow, “	85 00
Mittie C. Clough, “	150 00
Grover Merrill, “	175 00
Charles L. Brown, “	250 00

Received of C. P. Haynes, note of town,	100 00
Joseph C. Wyatt, “	100 00
James McClintock, “	150 00
Betsey McClintock, “	50 00
Nancy M. Hill, “	50 00
Polly Haynes, “	150 00
N. H. Dow, “	50 00
James Peverly, “	800 00
Lyman Brown, “	250 00
J. L. Clough, “	700 00
Marden & Elkins, “	527 71
James S. Elkins, “	428 76
State tax, “	2,837 50
County tax,	1,145 15
Cyrus G. Brown, collector for 1867,	6,278 83
County Commissioners,	142 24
S. S. Davis, collector for 1866,	347 41
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	\$18,933 97

EXPENDITURES.

Notes Paid.

James McClintock,	\$71 21
Betsey McClintock,	218 99
H. K. Clough,	67 50
Dyball notes,	645 88
Benmare Clark,	467 68
Sally B. Sanborn,	30 27
Nathan Emery, Guardian,	200 48
Abigail Parker,	132 27
Royal Scales,	107 84
George Scales,	240 20
Abel B. Boice,	135 67
Moses C. Lyford,	200 40
George B. Colby,	225 13
Hazen J. Bachelder,	422 13
Mittie C. Clough,	25 23
Benjamin Whidden,	100 00
Henry L. Elliott,	476 90
E. D. Clough,	338 26
Laroy F. Morse,	109 71
Parsons Whidden,	315 75

Mary Colby,	237 63
Mary P. Whidden,	545 55
Winthrop Y. Hill,	53 00
Winthrop Y. Hill on Nancy Hill's note,	199 23
Charles H. Chase,	85 00
Grover Merrill,	178 40
Charles P. Haynes, on notes,	149 55
Polly Haines,	180 83
C. L. Brown,	256 37
Dan. W. Morrill,	634 35
Isaac K. Wells,	952 81
N. S. Bachelder,	430 36
Mary E. Lyford,	230 37
John Lyford,	131 42
Reuben Fellows,	174 24
Marden & Elkins,	527 71
James S. Elkins,	428 76

\$9,927 08

Roads and Bridges.

Paid Arthur Clough, bridge plank,	\$24 12
B. B. Nudd, snowing bridge,	6 00
E. Osgood, repairing hill near B. Whidden's,	50 00
John D. Fife, surveying Morrill road,	12 50
Joseph Dow, work on highway,	3 00
James M. McClintock, work on highway,	6 00
A. B. Boise, land damage,	64 00
John Lake, work on bridge,	9 00
Charles L. French, work on bridge,	4 50
Jason R. C. Hoit, land damage,	40 00
B. E. Pillsbury, work on bridge,	10 50
J. J. Railey, work on bridge,	4 00
Smith & Colby, land damage, Morrill road,	150 00
H. L. Clough, snowing bridge 1866-7,	6 00
Albert Brown, drawing rubble,	17 50
Samuel A. Morrill, land damage,	25
E. Osgood, bridge plank,	13 77
Polly Swasey, land damage, Morrill road,	12 00
Samuel Morrill, repairing bridge,	9 90
J. T. Brown, work on bridge, &c.,	11 45
D. M. Clough, work on road and bridge,	22 00

\$476 49

Town Officers.

Paid A. B. Clough, services as town clerk,	\$8 00
C. L. Brown, services as town clerk,	25 00
E. Osgood, superintending school committee,	50 00
Rufus Boynton, services as selectman,	47 89
George Scales, " "	66 09
D. M. Clough, " "	100 45
" " expenses away from office,	26 45
Cyrus G. Brown, services as collector,	108 23
D. M. Clough, services as treasurer,	25 00
" " board of selectmen,	45 00
auditors,	4 00
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	\$506 11

School Money.

District No. 1, Nahum Blanchard,	\$149 90
2, John F. Lake,	75 94
3, William Sargent,	72 60
4, Edward Osgood,	106 62
5, D. M. Foster,	71 97
6, O. W. Dow,	105 22
7, Alfred S. Abbott,	160 88
8, James Kaime,	142 11
9, John Ingalls,	31 34
10, D. M. Clough,	64 03
11, Lewis Colby,	45 13
12, Stewart Noyes,	57 74
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	\$1,083 48

Miscellaneous Bills.

Paid L. T. Weeks, returning births and deaths,	\$2 80
express bill on town reports,	35
E. K. Webster's bill,	15 00
A. J. Taylor, over tax,	6 06
Jonathan Randall, damage to sheep by dogs,	3 50
Asa Sargent, over tax on horse,	42
Samuel Gilman, over tax on horse,	43
T. S. Smith, interest on money borrowed,	16 65
Asa Fowler, for cost in Samuel Sargent's suit,	7 00
Wm. Butterfield, printing town report,	32 00

Paid Wm. S. Currier, over tax on dog,	1 00
Dudley Hill, over tax on cow,	50
T. L. Whidden, care of town house,	4 00
H. F. Stone, over tax in 1856,	15 47
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	\$105 18

Stationery.

Paid Guernsey & Co., stationery,	\$3 65
B. W. Sanborn, “	9 91
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	\$13 56

RECAPITULATION.

Notes paid,	\$9,927 08
Roads and bridges,	476 49
Town officers,	506 11
School money,	1,083 48
Miscellaneous bills,	105 18
Stationery,	13 56
State and county tax,	3,982 65
Non-resident highway receipts,	34 03
Due on pauper account,	506 71
Carried from cash book to pauper account,	112 11
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	\$16,747 40

Financial Condition of the Town, March 1, 1868.

Polly Haines, note and interest,	\$151 10
Polly Gilman, “ “	177 80
Lydia French, “ “	362 20
James S. Elkins, “ “	1,827 94
“ “ Treasurer 1st F. W. B. Society,	936 48
Marden & Elkins,	1,200 17
Mittie C. Clough,	156 75
Betsey S. Morrill,	511 16
John Glines,	392 78
True K. Mason,	153 96
Harriet C. Brown,	450 20
Sarah Hancock,	141 16
Marstin M. Tallant,	322 29
Samuel M. Thompson,	769 10

Jesse D. Sanborn,	1,959 78
Melinda Hoag,	384 14
Nathaniel Pallett,	255 86
Sally Forrest,	190 61
William P. Whidden,	219 24
Charles Gile,	191 89
Wm. Jones,	341 01
Mary Whitney,	881 36
Jeremiah C. Elliott,	582 13
Ann M. Brown,	382 83
Eliza R. Randall,	31 87
Joseph Ayers,	75 29
Joseph Graham,	914 57
Sarah Graham,	127 50
John W. Boulet,	127 50
Sally Bean,	565 71
Eliza E. Colby,	169 57
David A. Morrill,	376 25
Hiram Cilley,	125 34
David M. Clough,	1,253 45
Freeman Webster,	626 27
William F. Sargent,	93 43
Ann M. Cochran,	986 63
Marcia E. Forrest,	151 58
John E. Forrest,	803 72
Jedediah Sanders,	178 98
Ephraim Plummer,	1,227 33
John C. Smith,	490 47
Henry H. Clough,	1,154 33
Charles P. Haynes,	825 74
William H. Carter,	44 52
Polly Swasey,	891 08
Napoleon B. Dearborn,	881 80
Joseph W. Ham,	433 83
Joseph Heath,	179 41
E. A. M. Hill,	187 09
Alice B. Chase,	563 03
Mary E. Lyford,	243 86
John Lyford,	136 45
Lizzie C. Morse,	176 64
Joseph C. Wyatt,	401 30
Daniel M. Huse,	602 45
Morrill Moore,	60 23

Mary J. Randall,	35 98
Lowell Beck,	239 26
David Randall, Jr.,	42 82
Stephen Wiggin,	119 10
Abigail Garland,	601 26
William H. Plummer,	237 45
Cyrus G. Brown,	118 73
Franklin Kenison,	358 62
Charles H. Chase,	741 05
John Ingalls,	254 48
Hannah Young,	152 83
Lydia C. Pitman,	116 37
Charles Jones,	449 08
Jemima Heath,	46 07
Chellis Sargent,	134 27
Jonathan Randall,	1,683 69
Rachel Wyatt,	328 98
Samuel Wyatt,	56 58
Oliver W. Dow,	106 23
Mary A. Glines,	42 30
Hannah Choat,	103 54
Henry L. Clough,	289 61
Nancy M. Hill,	50 00
Rufus Boynton,	246 28
Lydia Carter,	73 29
Sarah E. York,	197 57
Benjamin Whidden,	64 68
Betsey McClintock,	51 10
James McClintock,	153 30
Mary C. Tallant,	106 53
Nancy Morrill,	159 18
Nathaniel H. Dow,	383 30
Daniel Sanborn,	666 32
Daniel B. Sanborn,	303 08
Frank A. Sanborn,	77 37
Eliza M. P. Wiggin,	142 29
Sally B. Sanborn,	121 60
James Peverly,	808 00
Lyman Brown,	251 20
J. L. Clough, executor,	702 80
David Morrill,	270 84

Liabilities of the town, literary fund not included, \$39,142 19

Amount of liabilities,	\$39,142 19
Due for land damage on Morrill road,	264 00
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	\$39,406 19
Due from C. G. Brown, collector,	2,657 33
Amount in treasury,	2,186 57
Due from E. G. Chase,	13 00
Due from estate of F. Chase,	17 54
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	\$4,874 44
Indebtedness of town exclusive of literary fund,	\$34,531 75
Due to School Districts Nos. 10, 11 and 12,	511 21
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	\$35,042 96
Amount of literary fund,	\$1,282 02

PAUPER REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Received of Merrimack County,	\$142 24
Pauper bills entered on cash book,	112 11
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	\$254 35

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for L. & M. Burdeen,	\$45 78
Gordon S. Ingalls,	67 00
Henry Burnham,	5 00
Polly Ash,	16 49
Hannah Burton,	9 00
Joseph Rulew,	7 95
Dr. Lyford for medical services,	5 65
Richard Shaw,	14 50
John C. Smith,	10 60
Emma Young,	12 00
D. W. Whitney,	23 41
Mary French,	82 95
John Burdeen,	142 46

Paid for Joseph S. Heath,	18 00
David Randall,	4 00
Sampson Battis,	2 00
Daniel Randall, Jr.,	16 75
Harper Morrill,	226 71
D. M. Clough, pauper services,	50 81

Expenditures,	\$761 06
Receipts,	254 35

Due D. M. Clough on pauper account, and passed to his credit on cash book,	\$506 71
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D. M. CLOUGH, } *Selectmen*
 GEORGE SCALES, } *of*
 RUFUS BOYNTON, } *Canterbury.*

The undersigned, appointed to audit the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer for the year 1867, have examined said accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

NATHAN EMERY, } *Auditors.*
 THOMAS L. WHIDDEN, }

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The Superintending School Committee of the town of Canterbury respectfully submit the following report :

DISTRICT No. 1.

The Summer term was taught by Miss Alla J. Dearborn. Length of term 12 weeks. Number of scholars 14. This was Miss Dearborn's first school, but she proved herself equal to her task, and executed it with pleasure and profit to the district. She kept up a lively interest and good progress was made.

The Winter term of 12 weeks, was taught by Miss Clara F. Shepard, of Concord. This term, also, was a success. Miss S. is a good teacher, loves her employment and her scholars ; and they, in turn, feel the importance of diligence and attention in their studies. Good progress was made in all the branches taught. The house is cold and needs repairs.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Summer term ; length 7 weeks. No. of scholars, 19. This term was commenced by Miss Ham, of Boston, Mass., on probation ; and excused, as not equal to her task, in either education or government.

This school was then taken by Miss M. C. Clough, who fully sustained her former high reputation as a teacher. It was gratifying to witness the change at once made in this school. Good order was maintained through the term. Good advancement was made.

Fall term, of 9 weeks, was taught by Miss Mary A. Ayers. No. of scholars about the same as in Summer. Miss A. was quite ambitious, tried hard to please and interest her scholars, but did not succeed to her own or the committee's full satisfaction. With a

different school, would make an excellent teacher. Fair improvement was made.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Summer term, 7 weeks. No. of scholars 8. Taught by Miss Fanny V. Elliot, of Concord. This teacher was well qualified for her duties, and the school made good improvement.

Winter term, of ten weeks, was taught by Miss Sarah M. Noyes, of Meredith. Miss N. was well educated, but lacked order and ambition. Such scholars as chose to attend to their studies, made good improvement. There was a want of interest on the part of some. The desks were badly cut. This term was not successful. Some of the scholars faulty. The house needs repairing.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Summer term of 9 weeks, was taught by Miss L. M. Sargent. No. of scholars, 11. Miss S. is an experienced teacher and sustained her reputation in this school. Good progress was made, and thoroughness was arrived at and attained.

Winter term of 9 weeks, taught by Luther Sargent, Esq. No. of scholars, 30. Mr. S. felt anxious for the success of his school, but failed to excite all that ambition in his scholars that is necessary to a good school. There was not a full co-operation on the part of some of the scholars. Order quite good.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Summer term. Length of school 10 weeks. No. of scholars, 17. This term, taught by Miss Josie A. Neal, of Loudon, was quite successful, and the government was good; the scholars made good advancement in their studies, but lacked confidence at examination.

Winter term was taught by Miss Callie E. Foster. Length 10 weeks. No. of scholars, 20. Miss F. possessed the faculty of governing, which, added to her native perseverance and energy, made the school a success. This school has been quite fortunate in its teachers, and is one of the easiest governed and most advanced in town.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Summer term of 8 weeks was taught by Miss J. Carter, of New Hampton. No. of scholars, 16. This was rather a hard school to govern, and Miss C. was not adapted to it. Order or interest was

not maintained. But little advancement was made in the right direction.

Winter term of 9 weeks, was taught by Miss T. A. R. Dow, who proved to be the right person in the right place. Complete order was maintained during the whole term (without the rod), and a lively interest in the whole school. This school appeared finely and gave entire satisfaction.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Summer term 12 weeks. No. of scholars, 32. Winter term of 10 weeks. No. of scholars, 40.

Both terms were taught by Miss L. E. Shepard, of Concord. Miss S. had a true sense of the importance of the work in which she was engaged, and attended to it with a commendable will. She is very kind to her scholars, and most of them evidently appreciated it. Order at the winter term was not quite so manifest as could be desired; yet excellent improvement was made in all the branches taught. Her manner of teaching was thorough and clear.

DISTRICT No. 8.—(SHAKERS.)

Summer term, No. of scholars, 34, all girls. Winter term, 19, all boys. Length of term, each 12 weeks. Teacher, Miss Asenath C. Stickney, both terms. We found Miss S. highly pleased with her employment, working with a will, feeling that she had a duty to perform to her pupils. There was a thoroughness in the elementary principles rarely found in our schools. Both terms were very successful. I think I never saw that number of boys make so much advancement as those, in the same time; the school house is a perfect model; the second story has a hall for gymnastic and other exercises. There is a globe, letter-board, type table, maps and plates of various kinds, clock, thermometer, Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, &c., &c.

DISTRICT No. 9,

Had but one term of ten weeks; number of scholars, 12; teacher, Miss Fannie A. Rollins of Loudon. Miss R. was quite ambitious, and succeeded in exciting a good degree of interest with her scholars. Good improvement was made.

DISTRICT No. 10,

Had but one term of thirteen weeks ; number of scholars, 22 ; quite a number of the scholars came from other districts, as also in No. 9 ; Miss Mary A. Carter, teacher. Although this was Miss C.'s first term, it was conducted with an ability and success rarely excelled by older and more experienced teachers. By her mild and energetic manner of governing, she won the respect of her pupils and the admiration of those who visited her school. As a result, the term was both pleasant and profitable.

DISTRICT No. 11,

Had two terms of six weeks each, both taught by Miss Nellie M. Emery of Andover ; number of scholars, 8. This school was managed with prudence, and commendable improvement was made.

DISTRICT No. 12.

Summer term : length, seven weeks ; number of scholars, 19 ; taught by Miss Clara A. Arey of Boscawen. Miss A. was an ambitious and faithful teacher, exciting a good degree of interest in her pupils. Commendable progress was made.

The Winter term was seven weeks, and taught by Miss Clara E. Morse of Boscawen. Miss M. was not fit for this school, however well she might have done at some other place. Want of order was quite manifest, and but little improvement was made.

Fellow Citizens : I submit the accompanying report with a few general remarks :—

With diffidence I accepted the care of your schools. I have not accomplished all I desired. Ill health prevented my calling some district meetings, as I intended to have done, and visiting some of the schools at the proper time.

Repairs should be made on most of your school houses ; and it should be made the teachers especial care to guard well the house and sheds belonging to the district. The house should be made warm so that the scholar can be comfortable. If it is not under-pinned, it should be banked up. Get a good live teacher, if possible. You want one who possesses a good degree of executive ability. A good teacher will enter the school room and make his or her influence for good felt immediately. Their power is acknowledged. They are loved and respected. The principle of self government must be a part of the teacher's character.

In regard to your schools, lay aside all your bad feelings arising from whatever source. Be a unit. Let the good of the school be your object. Guard well your common schools. Your children are being educated to fill your places in society, and care for you in old age. Remember that "Whatever you sow, that shall you also reap."

EDWARD OSGOOD,

Superintending School Committee.

CANTERBURY, March 1, 1868.